

Benefits at a Glance for University of Chicago Postdoctoral Researcher Benefit Program

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# **Group Long Term Disability Insurance**

Group Long Term Disability (LTD) insurance from Standard Insurance Company helps provide financial protection for insured members by promising to pay a monthly benefit in the event of a covered disability.

The cost of this insurance is paid by University of Chicago Postdoctoral Researcher Benefit Program.

# **Eligibility**

#### **Definition of a Member**

You are a member if you are a regular employee of University of Chicago Postdoctoral Researcher Benefit Program, actively working at least 20 hours each week, and a citizen or resident of the United States or Canada. You are not a member if you are a temporary or seasonal employee, a full-time member of the armed forces, a leased employee or an independent contractor.

### **Eligibility Waiting Period**

You are eligible on the date you become a member.

## **Benefits**

#### **Monthly Benefit**

60 percent of the first \$4,167 of monthly predisability earnings, reduced by deductible income (e.g., work earnings, workers' compensation, etc.

#### **Maximum Monthly Benefit**

\$2,500

# **Minimum Monthly Benefit**

\$100

# **Benefit Waiting Period**

90 days

## **Definition of Disability**

For the benefit waiting period and the first 24 months for which LTD benefits are payable, being unable - as a result of physical disease, injury, pregnancy or mental disorder - to perform with reasonable continuity the material duties of your own occupation and suffering a loss of at least 20 percent of predisability earnings when working in your own occupation.

After that, being unable – as a result of physical disease, injury, pregnancy or mental disorder – to perform with reasonable continuity the material duties of any occupation:

- That you are able to perform, due to education, training or experience,
- That is available at one or more locations in the national economy, and
- In which you can be expected to earn at least 60 percent of predisability earnings within 12 months of returning to work, regardless of whether you are working in that, or any other, occupation.

#### **Maximum Benefit Period**

If you become disabled before age 62, LTD benefits may continue until age 65 or to the Social Security Normal Retirement Age (SSNRA) or 3 years 6 months, whichever is longest. If you become disabled at age 62 or older, the benefit duration is determined by the age when disability begins:

Age	Maximum Benefit Period
62	To SSNRA, or 3 years 6 months, whichever is longer
63	To SSNRA, or 3 years, whichever is longer
64	To SSNRA, or 2 years 6 months, whichever is longer
65	2 years
66	1 year 9 months
67	1 year 6 months
68	1 year 3 months
69+	1 year

# Other Features and Services

- 24 hour coverage, including coverage for work-related disabilities
- **Employee Assistance Program**
- Reasonable Accommodation Expense Benefit
- Rehabilitation Incentive Benefit
- Rehabilitation Plan Provision

- Return to Work Incentive
- Return to Work Responsibility
- Survivors Benefit
- Temporary Recovery Provision
- Waiver of Premium while LTD benefits are payable

This information is only a brief description of the group LTD insurance policy sponsored by University of Chicago Postdoctoral Researcher Benefit Program. The controlling provisions will be in the group policy issued by The Standard. The group policy contains a detailed description of the limitations, reductions in benefits, exclusions and when The Standard and University of Chicago Postdoctoral Researcher Benefit Program may increase the cost of coverage, amend or cancel the policy. A group certificate of insurance that describes the terms and conditions of the group policy is available for those who become insured according to its terms. For more complete details of coverage, contact your human resources representative.